



Rapid River News

August 31st, 2015

Fall Fire & Anishinaabe Lifeways Teachings. See page 4 for the full announcement and schedule! Watch the website (www.lrboi.com) for the agenda!

Board Vacancies! There are openings on the Little River Casino Resort Board of Directors! If you are interested in applying, please send a letter of interest to Ogema Larry Romanelli at the LRBOI Government Center, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660.

Take Back the Night! The event has been scheduled and there are some changes this year. Please see the flyer on page 5.

Commodity Department! Join us for their **Grand Opening September 16th at 9 a.m.**

Peacemaking Conference! The annual Peacemaking Conference is coming up September 10th and 11th. See the information on page 6.

LRBOI/Salvation Army Food Drive! See the flyer on page 12 and join us in supporting LRBOI/SA!

Drum Practice notice! The weekly Tuesday drum practice is being suspended for now due to busy schedules. It will resume as soon as possible. If you have questions, please contact Michael Medawis at 231.629.9116

August Currents! Please follow this link to the August edition of the paper: <https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/images/docs/public-affairs/currents/2015/August%202015%20Currents.pdf>



12th Annual Nmé (Sturgeon) Release
Please join the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Natural Resources Department
September 12th, 2015

Please contact the Natural Resources Department for more details:
(231)723-1594

Location:
Rainbow Bend
US Forest Service
Manistee River
Access Site

Events:
1:00 pm: Sturgeon viewing, rearing facility tours & children's activities
2:00 pm: Sturgeon Release Ceremony
2:30 pm: Fish Released



(More on page 11)

News, updates and recent announcements from our tribe, calendar of events, flyers, prayers and more information.

Please note that: Hyperlinks are scattered throughout the RRN. These 'links' take you direct to documents, websites and further information that you can use.

Just click on them or copy and paste them in your browser for more info!



From the Office of Public Affairs

Other Upcoming Items, Dates & Announcements

(For details, see previous Rapid River News, Facebook or **Currents** issues)

- **The Anonymous People!** Come see the special free showing tonight at the Vogue Theater. See the details on page 3.
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- **12th Annual 'Nme (Sturgeon) Release.** September 12th at Rainbow Bend
- **Commodities Grand Opening!** Please join us September 16th at 9 a.m. for the Grand Opening of the new LRBOI Commodities Office.
- **Enrollment Director Meeting!** Tribal Enrollment Directors are meeting at the Little River Casino Resort for their annual conference. Little River is hosting. **Please note that the LRBOI Enrollment Office will be closed on the 17th** while staff conduct the conference at the resort.
- **Home Heating Credit** application deadline: September 30th. See page 4
- **Membership Meeting Dates for 2016-2017:** (Call the hotel at Ph: (231) 723-1535 or Toll Free at 1-888-568-2244 for reservations)
 - 2015—Fall meeting, October 10, 2015
 - 2016 – April 9, 2016 & October 8, 2016
 - 2017 – April 8, 2017 & October 7, 2017
- **Annual Elder Conference** is November 7th & 8th in the Makwa Endaat (Entertainment Center) and their Christmas Party December 5th. The party will be in the Three Fires Conference Center.

LRBOI Be Da Bin Behavioral Health is presenting:

Presented by



Stones House Recovery Residence

THE ANONYMOUS



RECOVERY IS OUT – TO CHANGE THE ADDICTION CONVERSATION FROM – PROBLEMS TO SOLUTIONS

A FEATURE DOCUMENTARY about 23.5 Americans living in long-term recovery and the emerging public recovery movement that will transform how alcohol and other drug problems are dealt with in our community.

FREE SCREENING

Free tickets available now – Donations to establish Michael's House

Monday – August 31st

6 pm

Vogue Theater - Manistee

Panel discussion to follow the movie





Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Fall Fire & Anishinaabe Lifeways Teachings

October 7-10, 2015

Tribal Gathering Grounds Fire Lodge

Behind Little River Trading Post gas station in Manistee, MI

Each day will start with a Sunrise Ceremony and teachings will be held throughout the day. The Fire will be kept throughout the night.

Everyone is welcomed to attend!



**For information, please call 1-888-723-8288
Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**



Take Back the Night ☆ ☆ ☆



When:

☆ Thursday

10/15/2015
6pm-8pm



Where:

☆
Senior Center

457 River St.
Manistee, Mi. 49660

You are not alone
7 Generations *We are all in
this together!*

**Domestic Violence
Awareness Event**



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Peacemaking Presents the 4th Midwest Peacemaking Conference Four Directions of Peacemaking

The Little River Casino and Resort

Manistee, Michigan

September 10th, 11th

On the 12th Participants are invited to a Special Event: The Sturgeon Release

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Judge Tim Connors

State Court Judge, served as Chief Judge and Oversees a Peacemaking Court

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE by Comedian Don Burnstick on Friday evening.

There is an early registration fee of \$200 for the two-day Conference. Please attach the check to your registration form. This may be found online at: lrboi.com

Make Your check or Money Order payable to:
LRBOI Tribal Court
3031 Domres Rd.
Manistee, Michigan 49660

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Conference will be held at the beautiful Little River Casino Resort in Manistee Michigan. To make your reservations call: 866-473-2538. The hotel rooms are blocked under the name "Midwest Peacemaking Conference"

Room Rates:

Room rates:

Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 9th, 10th are \$79.00 per night

Room rates:

Friday Sept. 11th and Saturday, Sept. 12th are \$89.00 per night

Tribal members with Tribal ID may qualify for a discount.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Professionals wanting to get a better understanding of Peacemaking, Restorative Justice/ Alternative Dispute Resolution

Tribal Council Members, Peacemakers, Court Personnel, School Administrators, Teachers, Tribal Employees, Family Service Workers, Police Officers, and Mediators.

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and LRBOI Tribal Court



Deadline to Apply for Michigan Home Heating Credit Approaching

August 19, 2015 – The Michigan Agency for Energy (MAE) today noted that the September 30 deadline to apply for Michigan's Home Heating Credit (HHC) in 2015 (for tax year 2014) is quickly approaching. The credit assists low-income people and qualifying senior citizens with winter energy bills. Customers do not need to file a Michigan tax return to apply for the Home Heating Credit.

The average credit paid out in 2014 was \$130.

"Paying winter heating bills can be challenging for low-income utility customers," noted Valerie Brader, MAE executive director. "The Home Heating Credit is available to assist them. The Michigan Agency for Energy encourages low-income customers to apply for this important credit before the deadline – September 30."

The Home Heating Credit is funded by the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant. Home Heating Credits are processed by the Michigan Department of Treasury. The form (MI-1040CR-7) may be obtained from the Department of Treasury's website – michigan.gov/taxes – or by calling 517-636- 4486.

Eligible customers must have their homestead in Michigan, must own or rent the home in which they live, and for the standard allowance, their income must fall within certain limits, as the following chart indicates:

Number of Exemptions*	Maximum Income
0 or 1	\$12,842
2	\$17,329
3	\$21,786
4	\$26,243
5	\$30,728
6	\$35,186

*Note: Add \$4,457 for each additional exemption. Special exemptions are available for the deaf, blind, or those with a disability.

"Low-income customers may also be eligible for other assistance programs administered by utilities and consumer agency programs, and should contact their utility company or call 2-1-1 for more information," Brader added. "The [consumer tips sheet](#) on the Home Heating Credit also has additional helpful information."

Customers who need assistance filing for the HHC should call 2-1-1.

For more information about MAE, please visit www.michigan.gov/energy.

This service is provided to you at no charge by [Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs](#).



August 31st, 2015

LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT JOBS

The Human Resources Department welcomes your application for posted positions that are of interest to you! Did you know that job openings can be found on-line and on bulletin boards at government buildings? Job announcements are updated on a continuous basis. Look no further than these convenient sources for your next opportunity. www.lrboi-nsn.gov

Rapid River News Weekly—Tribal Government Buildings—By calling the HR Department

Current Job Postings

Job Title	Department	Open Date	Close Date
Surveillance Operator	Gaming Commission	08/18/2015	09/01/2015
Tax Officer	Tax	08/18/2015	09/01/2015
Case Manager Generalist	Family Services	08/26/2015	09/11/2015

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

An application must be submitted, resumes and cover letters are strongly encouraged.

Applications will remain active for a period of 6 months after receipt of your application. Please contact the Human Resource Department if you are unsure if you have an active application.

When you see a job that you would like to apply for please contact Alyce Giltz at Phone: (231) 398-6859, Fax: (231) 398-9101 or E-mail: jobs@lrboi-nsn.gov This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. .

You can download the [Employment Application](#) and send it in by postal mail, e-mail, fax or hand deliver it if you choose. Applications are kept active for 6 months. Tribal Preference is applied to all positions.

What about Temporary Work? Send in or drop off your application at anytime and be included in our temporary employment pool. Just be certain to check “temporary” or place “temp pool” on the position of interest line. Temporary assignments range from 1 to 180 days in duration. It’s a great way to gain experience and sharpen your skills. **Indian Preference applies to the hiring of all vacant positions.** Please send your application, resume, and cover letters to: **LRBOI Human Resources**

2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660F

Fax: (231) 398-9101 E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov Phone: (231) 398-6859 or (888) 723-8288

(Cultural & Government related items)

Warriors Society: Wanted...Veterans who want to actively participate in the Little River Band Warrior Society. Please email:

BigKahunnnna@aol.com' (BigKahunnnna@aol.com)

for an application and/or additional information.

We are constantly in need of Warriors for color guard duties for various events. Please consider becoming active or joining and being an active member. The Warrior Society meets the first Saturday of every month at 10am at the Aki Community Center located at the entrance to the LRBOI Housing Area. The Warrior Society meetings are usually followed by the monthly elders meeting at Noon.



Commission Openings! Please note that Tribal Members living outside the Manistee Area are also encouraged to apply for the Commissions and Committees! The tribe continues to seek applications from tribal members interested in serving on any commission or committee of the tribe. Ogema Romanelli has asked for members to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the various Commissions and what skills or knowledge they bring to the group. Applicants will need to submit a commission application along with your letter of interest. You will need to contact Mary Thomas (extension 6824) in the Ogema's office to get an application and will need to submit both in order to be considered.

**Wisdom..."God is making use of you—you should be grateful
He's found a use for you!" Mathew King, LAKOTA**

The Creator can only create through human beings. Each human being has a purpose given to us by the Creator. We are on this earth to fulfill this purpose. Our only work is to make ourselves ready, to become a channel, to perform for the Creator. We prepare ourselves by prayer. We prepare ourselves by becoming unselfish. We prepare ourselves by seeking and choosing to walk on a spiritual path. Each morning we look to the east and we say an honor prayer to the Creator. We offer our gifts: tobacco and corn. We ask him to help us do His will for today. In this simple way, we still fulfill our purpose. It should be an honor to serve the Creator.

Great Spirit, today I am ready to serve You.



Tribal Court

Key:		EM	Emancipation of Minor	LT	Landlord Tenant
CO	Cora Offense/Conservation	FJ	Foreign Judgment	NA	Neglect Abuse
CS	Child Support	FSJ	Foreign Support Judgment	NC	Name Change
CT	Civil Ticket	GA	Gaming Appeal	PF	Probate
DM	Divorce with children	GC	General Civil	PPO	Personal Protection Order
DO	Divorce w/o children	GM	Guardianship of Minor	TA	Trust Access
EA	Enrollment Appeal	GR	Employment Matter	TM	Tribal Misdemeanor
EB	Election Board Appeal	JC	Judicial Complaint	WC	Workmen’s Compensation
		JV	Juvenile		

Friday, September 4, 2015

Judge Sherigan

10:00 a.m. Neglect/Abuse 15139 NA Closed Hearing

Monday, September 7, 2015

COURT OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

Thursday and Friday, September 10th and 11th, 2015

The 4th Annual Midwest Peacemaking Conference held at the Little River Casino Resort.

Please see the LRBOI website for further information.

Monday, September 14, 2015

Judge Bailey

10:00 a.m. LRB Housing v. Reel 14238LT Motion Hearing
11:00 a.m. Neglect/Abuse 11223NA Review Hearing
01:15 p.m. LRB v. Metzger, R 12077TM Show Cause

Monday, September 21, 2015

OFFICE CLOSED RE-AFFIRMATION DAY

Friday, September 25, 2015

Judge Sherigan

09:30 a.m. LRB v. Wilson, A. 15107CT Review Hearing
09:45 a.m. Nelson v. Gauthier 15072CS-S Show Cause Hrg.



2015 'Nme (Sturgeon) Release



The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Natural Resources Department invites the community to assist in releasing young lake sturgeon. The 12th annual Nmé (Lake Sturgeon) Release Ceremony will be Saturday, September 12th, 2015 from 1-2:30 pm. The release will be held at the first ever Streamside Rearing Facility, located at the U.S. Forest Service Rainbow Bend access site on the Big Manistee River. For more information please call the LRBOI Natural Resources Department at 231-723-1594.

September 12th 2015 - Rainbow Bend Launch on the Big Manistee River

- 1:00 – Sturgeon Viewing
- 2:00 – Release Ceremony
- 2:30 – Fish Released

Activities will include:

- Children's Activity area
- Tours of the rearing facility
- Give-a-way items





The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

&

The Salvation Army ~ Manistee

Present:

Fall Food Drive



**Giving
Hope
Today**

**Food collection is August 31st – September
14th 2015**

Bring in at least FOUR items and receive a ticket for the drawing (bring in 8 items, you double your chances to win and will receive two drawing tickets).

Drawing for prizes will be held on September 15th, 2015

1st Prize – One Night Stay at LRCCR

2nd Prize – \$25.00 in Food at LRCCR

Prizes sponsored by Little River Casino & Resort.

**Thank
You!**



Items Needed:

Peanut Butter

Jelly

Boxed Cereal(s)

Canned Soups

Canned Fruits

Powdered Milk

Prizes!



Questions, contact The Salvation Army Manistee-Benzie Extension Office 231.723.6243

Bring donations to Family Services office in the Government Center! 12



Departments	Location	Director or main phone numbers
Accounting	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6868
Be-Da-Bin	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6741
Commerce	Government Center — Main Entrance	231.398.6866
Commodities	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398. 6715
Courts	Justice Center on M22	231.398.3406
Education	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6735
Enrollment	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6712
Fitness Center	Government Center—Lower Level	231.398.6636
Family Services	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6734
Grants Department	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6843
Gaming Commission	Old Casino Building	231-723-7755
Health Clinic	Government Center—North End	231.398.6600
Historic Preservation	Government Center- Lower Level	231.398.6891
Housing	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398.6879
Human Resources	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6859
Members Legal Asst.	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2234
Members Assistance	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6718
Natural Resources	9th Street Offices—Manistee	231.723.1594
Peacemaking/Probation	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2239
Planning Department	Government Center —Main Entrance	231.398.6810
Prosecutor	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2242
Public Affairs	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6872
Public Safety	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2225
Tax Office	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6874
Utilities/Waste Water	Dontz Road (near Aki Maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
Work Force Development	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6842